

GOLD IN ALASKA

Latest News from the Rich Frigid Region.

STAMPEDE TO INDIAN RIVER

Recent Important Discoveries—Pay Dirt Yielding from 30 to 80 Cents to the Pan—Confirmations.

Juneau, Alaska, Feb. 5.—By the steamer City of Seattle, Victoria, Feb. 5.—The latest news from Dawson City, is brought out by a party who reached Skagway, January 25, having left Dawson December 22. Two new creeks were discovered in the Klondike district. Here the gold shows 40 cents to the pan, with a depth of pay earth. The richest creek in the Indian River district—80 cents to the pan a few inches below the surface, which took many feet below. This is equal anything found at first on the Indian River. There will be a stampede to the Indian River at once.

TO SURPRISE THE WORLD.

Juneau, B. C., Feb. 5.—The steamer City of Seattle has arrived from Skagway, bringing news of many big strikes made in the Big Salmon and confirmed. Pay dirt yielding 50 cents to the pan, was discovered in the gravel above bedrock. On the Indian River, five miles below the Stuart good strikes were made. The reports from the interior of Alaska are especially encouraging. "The Mink Creek" and tributaries, as well as scores of other streams in that region, promise to surprise the world. A returned prospector and in the next year and all the United States will rejoice. It is now generally conceded that the winter's clean up will not be over \$10,000,000.

APPLE MEN SORE.

German Merchants Encouraged Shipment of American Fruit.

Chicago, Feb. 5.—Chicago wholesale fruit dealers declare that the decree issued by the German authorities excluding the fresh fruit of this country will be a source of considerable hardship to them. The apple dealers, it is said, will be the chief sufferers for the German trade in apples has had considerable to do with regulating the home market. Last autumn representatives of a number of the prominent apple houses of Bremen and Hamburg came to this country and urged the dealers to supply the German markets with the popular fruit. Some of them went so far as to offer a guarantee, claiming to see their way clear through the great demand in the fatherland for fine fruit, which has been scarce in Germany this year. A great many of the merchants saw a harvest in trading with the Germans and shipped the surplus of the fairest apples that came to the local market. The merchants say that the alleged cause for the issuance of the decree is ridiculous for only the finest variety of apples was shipped across the water. They deny that any California vermin-infested fruit.

Benjamin Newhall, one of the heaviest handlers of apples in the west, said: "It is all a bunch to say that the California apples are infested with vermin. The Germans got the plot of the land. The American merchants had begun to regard the German field as an especially profitable one for them to operate in and they set about to supply the market. I think I am pretty near it when I say that not less than 75,000 barrels of apples were shipped to the German markets last season."

A Trained Lion.

Next week Prof. Henry will exhibit a trained lion in Cheap Charley's store window.

Fred Gubhardt has sold an 80 acre farm in Union township, Livingston county, to Herman Meier for \$73.50 per acre.

TANNER COMING BACK.

Outline of Probable Work by Illinois Legislature.

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 5.—The special session of the general assembly has license to live just two weeks more. Members who are presumed to reflect the governor's desires say it must adjourn since die not later than two weeks. Governor Tanner will be home before the legislature sits again to assume personal command of the winding up process. He will insist, his friends say, upon the final passage of just two pending measures—the primary election bill and a revenue bill. Other bills may be passed; those must be. The primary bill, just as it is, including the emergency clause, will be passed, unless all signs fail, next Thursday morning. Senator Crawford had the vote by

BRIGHT FOR HAWAII

Belief That Annexation is Practically Assured.

AMERICA MUST BE IN CONTROL

Or Foreign Powers May Step in and Bring About Awkward Complications—Close of White's Speech.

Washington, Feb. 5.—It is now apparent that President McKinley's efforts in behalf of the annexation of Hawaii are likely to be crowned with success.

CHANGE THE ENGINEER.

Serious Accident at the Danville Pawnee Mine.

Danville, Ill., Feb. 5.—An accident happened at the Pawnee mines yesterday and that loss of life did not follow is most remarkable. A cage at the Pawnee mines upon which eight men were descending the shaft fell a distance of about 80 feet. Antonio Dowd had both legs and two ribs broken, August Olson, right leg broken; O. Rogers, right ankle broken. The rest escaped without broken bones. It is thought all were injured internally. Samuel Leconte was the only one on the cage who was able to walk to his home. The rest were taken to their homes and the hospitals here in ambulances. The blame is attached to Charles Jenkins, the engineer, a one-armed man who lost control of the cage soon after it started down and was unable to operate the life-saving lever. Five of the miners were colored and three white.

MET DEATH IN THE FLAMES.

Brave Boston Fireman Taken from the Ruins of a Building.

Boston, Mass., Feb. 5.—The bodies of six firemen have just been taken from the ruins of the Bent building, which took fire at 3 o'clock this morning. The dead are: John F. Eagen, district chief; James H. Victory, captain; George J. Govald, lieutenant; Patrick H. Dietkin and W. J. Walsh, firemen; John J. Muehlberg, fireman.

Four other firemen were buried in the ruins, but escaped with more or less serious injuries. They are: Joseph M. Garzity, captain; Thomas E. Conway, T. J. Goherty and Edward Shea, firemen. The building burned was a five story, occupied by G. W. Bent & Co., manufacturers of beds, bedding, etc.

The firemen had entered through a window and were at work on the fourth floor when the roof collapsed, tearing away the top floor and the one on which the firemen were engaged, burying them beneath the wreck.

UNDER THE ICE.

While Skating a Young Girl Comes to Her Death.

Madisonville, Ky., Feb. 5.—Miss Stella Hanna, aged about 17, daughter of M. Hanna, proprietor of the Madisonville Machine works, was drowned while skating on a pond at Hecla Mines, near this place yesterday. The family formerly lived at Hecla Mines, where Mr. Hanna was for years master mechanic, and Miss Hanna was visiting friends there. She had broken through the ice on the lake here early in the day, and afterward went to Hecla and continued skating. The body was not recovered until a skiff was sent from here by wagon for that purpose. It was found floating just under the edge of the ice where she had broken through, some 60 feet from the shore. Miss Garrett of Hecla broke through on the same pond in shallow water, but was rescued.

DEATH IN A JAIL.

Burning of a Colorado Prison and Cremation of Three Men.

Cripple Creek, Col., Feb. 5.—The Victor jail was burned this morning. Three prisoners, Thomas Quinn, James Thompson and Grader, known as "Sherry," were burned to death.

Bank Statement.

New York, Feb. 5.—The weekly bank statement shows the reserve decreased \$228,000. The banks held \$84,782,900 in excess of legal requirements.

BRIEF NEWS BY WIRE.

In St. Louis Daniel, McClelland, aged 43, employed in paint works, committed suicide by putting his head between the ponderous wheels of a machine known as a putty chaser.

Citizens of Wichita, Kan., have invited President McKinley to visit that city during the transmississippi congress next fall. If he accepts President Diaz of Mexico will be invited to meet him.

There was an earthquake shock at Edwardsville yesterday.

President Dole will leave Washington for Hawaii Sunday night. He will stop at Buffalo, N. Y., Monday and on Tuesday at Cleveland.

The Illinois legislature may adjourn within two weeks.

Mark Twain's "Pudd'nhead Wilson."

"Truth is one of the most valuable things we have," therefore let us economize it."—"Pudd'nhead Wilson." The truth of Frank Mayo's dramatization of Mark Twain's story is short and soon told. It is a quaint, sweet mixture of thrilling pathos. Seldom before have smiles and tears been summoned by the process which Mark Twain has employed. Its plot is divulged and its climaxes reached by means new to the stage. Nothing else is like it. And though it reaches the heart by a new route and new methods, it gets there just the same. The story is of antebellum life in Missouri, and the people who tell it are typical Missourians. The flavor of exquisite humor pervades it and the master hand of Frank Mayo has made it a great play. Edwin Mayo and his splendid company of players and good old "Pudd'nhead" will meet with a rousing reception upon its return to the Grand on Thursday evening, February 10.

Dixey, the "Adonis."

Henry E. Dixey, who will be seen in this city at the Grand opera house next Wednesday evening, February 9, is better known to the citizens of the United States by the title of "Adonis." It was in this highly successful lyric comedy that Dixey first became known to the public of the country outside of New York, and it is a convincing argument as to Dixey's merits as an entertainer when one understands the immense success that this piece enjoyed, not only in this country, where it ran for over 700 nights, but in London as well, where it achieved the proud distinction of being the first American production that ever ran 100 consecutive nights in the English metropolis.

Wilson Opera Company Coming.

Manager Glavin, who has been working for eight months to secure the Francis Wilson opera company for a date in Decatur, had his efforts crowned with success this morning, when he was authorized to book the company to appear at the Grand on the night of February 21. This is the largest and best opera company traveling and will present a first class opera in elegant style.

Death of Director Smith.

Washington, Feb. 5.—J. P. Smith, director of the Bureau of American Republics, died at Miami, Fla., this morning, of heart failure. He was for a long time a Republican editor in Ohio, and was a close personal and political friend of President McKinley, who appointed him to the position he held at the time of his death.

Expense for Kansas.

Topeka, Kan., Feb. 5.—Governor Leedy will call a special session of the legislature March 1 if a majority of the members pass the bill which he has prepared, giving railway commissioners the power to make and enforce rates on all railroads in Kansas.

Death of Mrs. Williams.

Mrs. W. W. Williams, aged 65 years, an old and well known resident of Warrensburg, died at her home in that place this morning. She was an aunt of Deputy Sheriff Sam Stahler of this city.

What a Cow Did.

St. Louis, Feb. 5.—A cow derailed the Texas Special on the Iron Mountain road at Hestate this morning, resulting in the death of Engineer Frany and Fireman Childs and the slight injury of two passengers.

Get Your Prize.

Those who were awarded prizes at the Farmers' Institute either special or money prizes, will receive the money and orders by applying to Deputy County Clerk Frank Dodd.

Committee Meeting.

There will be a special meeting of the lookout and prayer meeting committee of the C. E. society of the First Presbyterian church at the church tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

McColegan Dead.

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 5.—Monigneur Edward McColegan, vicar-general of the diocese of Baltimore, died this morning.

BUSINESS WORLD

January Payments Make a Good Showing.

DUN & CO. ON THE SITUATION

Failures Decreasing in Numbers—Money Market Confident—Heavy Export of the Corn Product.

New York, Feb. 5.—Actual payments through clearing houses in January made a remarkable showing, being much larger than in any previous month 36.3 per cent larger than the same month last year and 7.1 per cent larger than in 1893.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: "The failures in January were smaller than in any previous year of which there is record and were probably smaller than in any other January since 1881. The statement by branches of business given this week shows a surprising gain in most departments of manufacture and trade.

"Meanwhile the money market is as confident as ever; gold does not come from Europe in large amounts only because bankers find it worth while to lend American money abroad, and the commercial balances are heavily in favor of the United States as heretofore.

"Perhaps the most striking feature of the week has been the decline in wheat. With exports of 3,094,617 bushels against 1,770,646 last year, flour included, from Atlantic ports, and 776,840 bushels from Pacific ports against 844,943 last year, the temper of the market has been weaker. The report of the agricultural department has had some influence, although its figures are not generally credited as reliable. The wheat market has turned largely upon the operations of a Chicago speculator, but the fact remains that the price depends largely upon foreign needs and upon the comparative scarcity of American supply.

EXPORT OF CORN HEAVY.

"The outgo of corn continues heavy, 3,798,780 bushels, against 3,348,400 for the same week last year, and the excess over last year, when exports were much the greatest ever known, indicates a very heavy foreign demand. The spot price of cotton remains unchanged, but the fact that receipts continue larger than during the same week of 1895, after the heaviest crop ever known, checks speculative operations for an advance.

CIRCUIT COURT.

A Short Session This Forenoon—No Important Business Transacted.

There was a short session of the circuit court this morning. A few motions were made in different cases and court then adjourned until Monday morning at 9 o'clock. The following were the entries on the chancery docket since court convened yesterday afternoon: Sheridan Tupper vs. Edward S. Edmunds et al; foreclosure. Decree pro confesso on original cross bill against defendants not answering, and all referred for proof and conclusion. John V. Blrks vs. Frank Batchelder et al; injunction. Suit dismissed at costs of complainant as per agreement on file. Frank M. Ralston vs. H. C. Robinson et al; foreclosure. Answer withdrawn. Decree pro confesso and referred for proof and conclusion.

Guy T. Conklin vs. G. H. Conklin et al; partition. Report as to solicitor's and guardian's ad item fee: \$360. Solicitor's fee and abstract: \$50 for guardian ad item approved and ordered accordingly; stricken with leave.

Maggie M. Cobb vs. John B. Robinson et al; foreclosure. Decree pro confesso as to defendants not answering and referred to master for proof and conclusions.

E. D. Fitzhugh vs. Wm. C. Abel; ass. Motion to strike out bond from files because of insufficiency.

Arthur F. Evans vs. John R. Gott et al; confession. Plaintiff offers, willing to credit judgment with \$43.30 and moves to have such credit placed. Motion confessed and judgment credited accordingly.

D. C. Corley vs. J. R. Gott et al; confession. Motion to waste judgment allowed. Leave to plead to amend declaration.

D. C. Corley vs. J. R. Gott et al; confession. Motion to credit. Judgment with usury alleged.

Zorp Pannell vs. J. R. Gott et al; confession. Leave to plead allowed. Same order in three cases.

J. B. Blue vs. Henry McKee; confession. Judgment for \$126 and costs.

W. J. Warren vs. T. H. Harris; confession. Judgment for \$50.97, execution, costs, etc.

MISSIONARY MEETINGS

At Congregational Church on Feb. 12—Wesley Last Night.

Miss Mary Page-Wright, who has recently returned from Turkey, where she spent several years as a missionary, will arrive in Decatur on next Friday and on Saturday afternoon will give a talk on "Missions," to the ladies of the Congregational church and to all others interested in the subject. The talk will be followed by a reception. Miss Wright will speak on Sunday morning and evening at the Congregational church. She will be the guest of Mrs. E. Johnson during her stay in the city.

The missionary committee of the Epworth League of the Wesley church held a meeting at the church last evening. There was a large attendance. Mrs. E. B. Randle was to have given a talk on missions but was unable on account of the sickness of her infant son to be present and Mrs. Milton Johnson gave a talk in her stead. Mrs. Johnson spoke of the missionaries she had known and told of the work of Miss DeLino and a Miss Wilson, who were both Illinois girls, the latter living at one time in Decatur. She also spoke in an interesting manner of the work of several others in the mission fields in Japan, China and India. During the evening R. C. Augustine sang a missionary solo and Miss Lalah Garrow gave a missionary reading.

The Woman's Home Missionary society of the First M. E. church met with Mrs. Bethel of 1124 North Union street yesterday afternoon. No sewing was done. The usual offering was taken and the money will be used for the purchase of a new suit of clothes for a Methodist minister at Horton, Kan. Each year some needy minister who is in charge of some minor charge in the west is assisted by the members of the society. The young preacher at Horton is poorly paid and the kindness of the ladies will no doubt be appreciated by him.

WHY NOT?

Suggestion for the Next Farmers County Institute.

This forenoon G. W. Scovill, in discussing the lack of a building in Decatur large enough for the displays made at the Macon county farmers' institute, suggested what many will consider a good solution of the difficulty for the next display of exhibits for special prizes offered by the merchants. His idea is for the merchants to make room for displays at their stores—a special exhibit of course, on oats, butter, bread, etc., and then invite the people to visit the stores in turn. This plan, Mr. Scovill thinks, will be generally acceptable and prove popular with all concerned.

Tabernacle Meetings.

Following is the program for the morning and evening services at the tabernacle tomorrow:

- MORNING.
1. Anthem, "Lead Me to the Rock"—Scott.
 2. Hymn 174, "Awake My Tongue"—Hutton.
 3. Introductory worship, led by Rev. J. G. M. Lutenberger.
 4. Hymn 171, "Song of Praise"—Mazur.
 5. Anthem, "Heavenly Love"—Meb-delsch.
 6. Sermon, "What We Plead For"—Pastor.
 7. Hymn, "Remember Me"—Hull.

EVENING.

1. Anthem, "The Radiant Morn"—Woodward.
2. Hymn 67, "Joy to the World"—Handel.
3. Anthem, "The Lord is Great"—Righini.
4. Ladies' quartet, "Abide With Me", Root—Miss Radford, Miss Calvin, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Calvin.
5. Anthem, "The Heavens Resound"—Beethoven.
6. Contralto solo, "The Holy City," Adams—Mrs. Prof. Calvin.
7. Sermon, by Robert J. Burdette.
8. Hymn 161, "Help Us O Lord"—Hayden.

Cards are Out.

Cards have been issued announcing the marriage of Miss Sarah Combs and Robert G. Patterson on Wednesday evening, February 18, 1898, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Combs, two and one-half miles east of Macon, Ill.

Entertained Social Club.

The Saturday Afternoon Social club was entertained by Miss Helen Bishop at her home at 707 West Union street this afternoon.

HAS A SPLENDID RECORD

Public Services of the New French Ambassador.

As Governor-General of Algeria M. Jules Cambon Displayed Rare Ability as Administrator and Reformer.

Jules Cambon, the newly appointed French ambassador to the United States, is an indefatigable worker and a brilliant conversationalist, and his personal qualities are such as make him a most welcome addition to Washington society. In his own country, M. Jules Cambon has the reputation of being one of the most active and intelligent of those who have attained prominent position under the republican regime. He was a warm friend of Jules Ferry, and became the right hand man of Gen. Chanzy in carrying out the reforms begun during that eminent soldier's administration in Algeria. M. Cambon has completed his 50th year, and his official career and experience suggest a French parallel to those of Lord Dufferin.

M. Cambon for the last seven years has been governor general of Algeria, a post corresponding in responsibility to that of viceroy of India. In May, 1891, when M. Cambon went to govern Algeria which Edmond About used to describe as "l'autre France" he found it a sort of military proconsulate, where the natives were regarded as a conquered race, subject to the constant severity of martial law. M. Cambon with his characteristic energy, at once set to work to free Algeria from centralizing leading strings and gradually to accord that liberty of conscience and religion which now makes it possible for every Algerian to practice his religion without being accountable to anyone. M. Cambon made every effort to educate and improve the condition of the native population, and his success was so marked that at a period of the French administration of Algeria have the Mahometans and their chiefs shown such loyalty and devotion as at present. As governor-general of Algeria M. Cambon often had to solve difficult and in-



JULES CAMBON
(The New French Ambassador to the United States)

tricate diplomatic questions, but it is as an ambassador to the United States that he makes his debut in a purely diplomatic capacity.

During the Franco-German war M. Cambon distinguished himself as a captain of mobiles, and many acts of gallantry and daring are placed to his credit. After the war he became auditor-general at the council of state. He was subsequently sent to Algeria, where he had charge of the interior service of the general government, and, rapidly gaining the confidence of his chief, Gen. Chanzy, he was made, when only 30 years of age, prefect of the department of Constantine. He also rendered important service as a member of the commission of reform, which was the first step in the direction of making Algeria a civil instead of a purely military colony. M. Cambon was afterward called to Paris, where he became secretary general of the prefecture of police, and some months later he was made prefect of the department of the north, where, by a singular coincidence, he replaced his older brother, M. Paul Cambon, who is now French ambassador at Constantinople. From the office of prefect of the department of the north M. Jules Cambon was promoted to that of Lyons, which after that of Paris (the department of the Seine) is the most important prefecture of France. From Lyons M. Cambon went to Algeria as governor-general—a post which he left in October to become ambassador to the United States.

M. Jules Cambon is a liberal but constitutional republican. He is an enemy to circumlocution and red tape, and has devoted much of his spare time to the study of administrative reform, in doing which he has become a deep student of political and economic questions in the United States. M. Cambon is of medium height, with light blond hair and whiskers tinged with gray.

Curious Geographical Find.
A submerged island has been found 1,000 miles due west from Gibraltar which offers a curious problem for geographers. It was discovered by the prince of Monaco, and will soon be placed on the charts issued by the hydrographic office at Washington. The sunken island was discovered quite by accident by the prince while making soundings from his yacht the Princess Alice, and the formation was accordingly named after the yacht. The island is supposed to have been at one time a huge volcano. Its shape, which has been determined by careful soundings, is much the same as that of a huge cocked hat. The island is in no danger of interfering in the least with navigation, since its highest point is some 41 fathoms below the surface of the sea.

Cinnamon in Florida.
The cinnamon tree has recently been introduced into the Biscayne bay region of Florida, and is now being cultivated extensively on the Perrine grant.

A Bamboo Lighthouse.
A lighthouse of bamboo has been built in Japan. It is said to have great power of resisting the waves and does not rot like ordinary wood.

ROME'S PINGIO LOVE MATCHES.

How Youths in the Eternal City Pick Out Their Brides.

It is probable that the Pincio sees the inception of half the marriages in Rome. It is a curious sociological fact, but the explanation of it is simple. It has been commented upon by numberless writers, that Italians are exclusive, though not in the usually accepted sense of the word. They are proverbially open and friendly especially to strangers, the commercial value of whose visits to their land they appreciate. But this cordiality even to their own countrymen, has its limit. In no country more than in Italy is a man's home his castle, and except in the highest circles and where there is no poverty to be concealed he is chary of his hospitality. This is especially true of Rome and Naples. Therefore, if neither she nor her parents receive many visitors, how is the Roman girl of the bourgeois class who is not "in society" to meet the inevitable lover for whose advent and her consequent emancipation from parental tyranny she longs more ardently than young women usually do? The answer is "The Pincio."

On Thursdays and Sundays when the band plays (uncommonly well by the way), and the park is in consequence crowded to overflowing the signorina who is the fortunate possessor of a becoming costume does it and demurely accompanies her mother to the municipal pleasure ground, where each expends ten centimes for the temporary right to a comfortable chair, ingeniously constructed so as to be sprung, though fashioned entirely of iron. If she be a wise maiden she will so maneuver that the chair will be placed on the main pathway where everyone must pass. This being achieved, she may await developments. And if she have pretensions to beauty, she will not long be left in anticipation. The young men who pass will gaze at her approvingly, and finally one, to whom she may especially appeal, will detach himself from the crowd and take up his stand before her. Thus is initiated the first chapter of the romance. From that moment without a word or sign, and even with scarcely a look from her, he becomes her swain and faithful knight. Week after week he sees her at the Pincio, he even follows her about the streets. Having ascertained her abode and her name he generally soon manages to find a mutual friend who performs the introduction. The rest is obvious. Or, if they do not happen to have acquaintances in common, when the silent love making has progressed far enough a demand for the damsel's hand is made directly to her parents—Chicago Inter Ocean.

The Coming Woman

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Miss Edna Sunderland of Delavan received successful surgical treatment for gonorrhea Saturday at Jacksonville.

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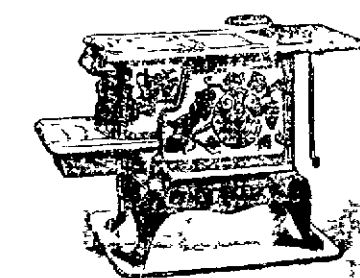
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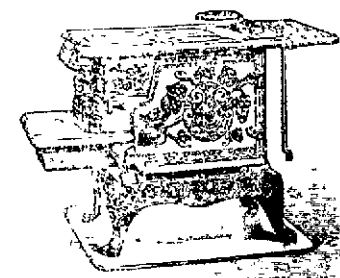
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LOCAL NEWS.

Kondon's Catarhal Jelly—Noleler—466
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The American match factory is the
thing. Decatur is right in the push.

Arnold's Bromo-Colery cure head-
aches. 10, 25, 50 cts. Bell, the druggist.
Dr. Howard Wood's office is now in the
Pastfield block. Telephone 272.

Pop corn, grown in 1896, 2 1/2 cts a pound.
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Today, Frank Hamsher principal of the
High school, is at Peoria attending the
meeting of the state schoolmasters' club.
The property of the Moultrie county
fair association at Sullivan was sold at
auction today to pay debts.

Quinoria is guaranteed to cure chills,
fever and all malarial disorders. No
cure, no pay.

The Macon canning factory property is
to be sold. A party from Hoopeston, Ill.,
has been looking at the plant with a view
to purchasing it.

—C. A. Westhafer of St. Paul, Minn.,
is visiting his father, Samuel Westhafer
of Boarsdale, and will remain until after
Sunday.

Coughs and colds, down to the very
borderland of consumption, yield to the
soothing, healing influences of Dr.
Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. Sold by
all druggists.

The most elegant line of standard pianos
in the city can be found at the C. B.
Prescott music house. Learn low prices
and terms.

The Cumberland Presbyterian church
will hold services tomorrow appropriate
to the anniversary of the C. P. denomina-
tion and of the beginning of the En-
deavor movement.

Dyspepsia—bane of human existence.
Burdock Blood Bitters cures it,
promptly, permanently. Regulates and
tones the stomach. Sold by all druggists.

At the High school yesterday afternoon
the members of the Sapphonian Literary
society held their regular meeting and the
following program was rendered: Piano
solo, Celeste Abel; story, Besale Dills;
recitation, Nina Imboden; piano duet,
Grace and Sadie Beadles.

The person who disturbed the congrega-
tion last Sunday by coughing is re-
quested to call on H. W. Bell or N. L.
Krone and get a bottle of Foley's Honey
and Tar, which always gives relief.

If you are thinking of going to Klon-
dike soon you had better be preparing for
very cold weather. But if you go to the
"Klonidike" at the tabernacle next Tues-
day evening you may wear summer attire
with impunity. All the glories of the land
of gold—without the cold—will be there.
See the camp of the miners, and also hear
the miners' quartette.

What pleasure is there in life with a
headache, constipation and biliousness?
Thousands experience them who could
become perfectly healthy by using
Dewitt's Little Early Risers, the famous
little pills. H. W. Bell, N. L.
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The Play.

Shakespearean students and playgoers
generally were at the Grand last night in
large numbers to witness the elaborate
scene production of "Cymbeline," given
by Margaret Mather and her excellent
supporting company. Those who had
read the story were in close touch with
the theme and the development of plot,
while those who were entirely unfamiliar
with the creation of the author, found in
the unfolding of the story many sur-
prising situations. The play was thoroughly
entertaining. Miss Mather's "Imogene"
was all that could be desired. Curtain
calls were frequent. Much depends upon
the success of "Cymbeline" in the scenic
effects. Never before has a Decatur au-
dience beheld such a wealth of beautiful
special scenery in connection with a
Shakespearean production. Miss Mather
expended thousands of dollars for the
stage pictures and costumes, and every-
where the play is received with great
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CITY CLUB LIFE.

Subjects for the Ladies
During Coming Week.

THE CHILD'S STUDY DIVISION

Give an Entertainment for the Little
Folks at the Assembly Rooms—
Address by Miss Bacon
— Other Clubs.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Serious—Monday, February 7; subject,
"A Century of Dishonor," Miss Minnie
Clark; "Bits of Travel," Mrs. B. A. Al-
lison.

Chautauqua—Tuesday, February 8;
subject, "History of Mediaeval Europe,"
chapters 3 and 4; "Roman Life in Pliny's
Time," chapter 4.

Child's Study—Tuesday, February 15;
subject, "Reverence and Worship," Mrs.
Charles Murphy; "Sunday Occupations
for Children," Miss Nellie Pratt.

Paulemas—Tuesday, February 8; sub-
ject, "Richard III.," third act.

Shakespeare—Wednesday, February 9;
subject, "Romeo and Juliet," second and
third acts; paper on "Purity of Shakes-
peare's Women."

Art and Literature—Thursday, Febru-
ary 10; subject, Art class, "Stadford-
shire," Miss Gale; "Modern Dutch Paint-
ers," Mrs. Bridges. Literature class,
"Hugh Wynn," reviewed by Mrs. Har-
worth.

Music—Friday, February 11; subject,
"Concerto, Choral and Fantastic, and
Choral." The reading of Tennyson's "In
Memoriam" will be finished at this meet-
ing.

CHILD'S STUDY DIVISION.

The regular monthly business meeting
of the Woman's club was held at the club
rooms this afternoon. Following the
business meeting the club was entertained
by the Child's Study division. Mrs. Ru-
genia Bacon, chairman of the division,
gave a brief talk in which she discussed
the work of the division. The division
was organized on the 24th day of August,
1897, and is the youngest and seventh di-
vision of the Woman's club. Back of the
organization was a deep and abiding love
for children and the desire to bring the
mothers together. The object being the
study of children, not in the abstract but
in the concrete, a forming of loving rela-
tionship and companionship. From the
first much interest has been manifested
by mothers both at home and abroad in
the work of the division. Letters of con-
gratulations, commendation and inquiry
have been received from Boston, Mass.,
Concord, N. H., St. Louis, and many
points in Illinois.

The average attendance is 19. There
are 25 members to whom belong 36 chil-
dren, whose ages average five years. The
oldest is 15 and the youngest six weeks
of age. This is a record which at once en-
hances the suggestion that it is only maid-
en ladies and childless married women
who study children. At the conclusion of
Mrs. Bacon's talk 10 of the small children
from the kindergarten marched in the
room to the accompaniment of the piano,
carrying their little chairs and seated
themselves at a small table. They gave
in a most delightful manner the "Good
Night" and the "Finger" song. After
singing they remained seated at the table
and worked at dainty picture frames,
which they are taught to make in the
kindergarten, their skill in this work
showing the results of their teaching of
theory or the aesthetic side of nature.

Mrs. Will Hostetter sang "Woodland Lul-
laby," Mrs. Harry Schauderman recited a
poem, "Like a Cradle, Rocking, Rocking,
as the great Earth, To and Fro," Mrs.
Frank Ruby gave a paper on "The Aes-
thetic Side of Child Nature," and little
Elizabeth Terry and Ruth Akers sang a
duet "Rockabye." The program con-
cluded with a song by the children "Now
the Busy Work is Done" and taking their
chairs they again to the music of the
piano skipped out of the room. The
mothers of the kindergarten are studying
Froebel's "Mother's Play Book," and
Froebel's flower, the daisy, was worn by
the members of the division. The chil-
dren were in charge of their kindergarten
teachers, Mrs. Ackerman and Miss Clem-
ent.

Refreshments of chocolate and water
were served in the dining room, with Mrs.
Dr. Everett J. Brown and Mrs. Frank
Roach presiding at the tables.

ENTERTAINED AT WHIST.

The Whist club was entertained by Miss
Sarah Boyd of North Water street yester-
day afternoon. Those present were Mes-
dames W. B. Abbott, C. L. Griswold, A.
C. Race, Frank Roach, Adolph Mueller,
G. D. Thomas, A. H. Lander, Misses
Ella and Edith Race, Lola Montgomery.
Refreshments were served.

MERRY GO-ROUND.

Dr. and Mrs. H. C. L. Jones entertain-
ed the Merry-Go-Round club at their
home at St. Johns flats last evening. Din-
ner was served at 7 o'clock. Those pre-
sent were Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bridges,
Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Bishop, Mr. and Mrs.
W. L. Shellabarger, Mr. and Mrs. Frank
Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Lytle Mr. and

Mrs. S. T. Neebitt, Mr. and Mrs. George
A. Stadler, Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Baldwin
and Mr. and Mrs. George Mueller.

The Saturday Afternoon Euchre club
was entertained this afternoon by Miss
Grace Hamsher of West William street.

PROF. CALVIN AND WIFE.

Both Experienced Teachers of Voice
Culture—New Recruits.

Among the later recruits in the musical
lines of Decatur Prof. and Mrs. M. S.
Calvin occupy an important position.
They came here one year ago from Be-
atrice, Neb., to take charge of the musical
work of the Christian tabernacle. Pre-
vious to their coming to Decatur Prof.
Calvin was in charge of the musical de-
partment of the public schools of Be-
atrice. The work in the public schools has
been a life work and this is the first year
for 13 years that he has not been engaged
in this work. Prof. Calvin has been most
successful as an organizer and conductor
of chorus choirs and has had charge of
this work at the Chautauqua assemblies
each season for many years. He is joint
author of several musical books his com-
positions being largely chorus and glee
work. In all his duties he is ably assisted
by Mrs. Calvin. She is the possessor of a
deep, sweet contralto voice and has given
her entire life to his training and cultiva-
tion. She has also written a number of
songs. Both are graduates of the School
of Allegheny and together they instruct a
large number of pupils in voice, piano and
organ and have flourishing classes at
many of the smaller towns near Decatur.

AT THE GRAND.

SOUSA AND HIS BAND.

The catholicity of John Philip Sousa's
musical taste is admirably exemplified in
the arrangement of his programs. A
thorough believer in the principle of giv-
ing the public what it wants and is will-
ing to pay for, Sousa possesses in addi-
tion the happy faculty of being able to
cater at once to the most widely diverse
tastes. Here a tit of classic music for
the lovers of the substantial in music,
there a dainty melody for those who love
the lighter forms of musical expression;
here the stirring rhythm of a Sousa
march and there languorous swing of the
dreamy waltz. A glance at the superb
program that Sousa will present here on
next Tuesday afternoon, when his great
band will give a single concert at the
Powers' Grand will show how the great
bandmaster consults the wishes of the
many. Mand Recco Davies, soprano, and
Jennie Hoyle, violinista, accompany
Sousa and his band as soloists on the
present tour.

COMPLAINT SPACE.

OKLAHOMA.

Eds. Republican:—Why can't we have
a cat wagon as well as a dog wagon? We
have got a good policeman. In his idle
hours can't he catch cats—the old tom-
cats that make night hideous? why not?
Somebody say Amen. Subscriber.

Scheme for Getting New Members.

Rev. George F. Hall has a good scheme
for securing new members for the Church
Street Christian church of which he is
pastor. Beginning February 16, he will
hold the annual revival. Rev. Combs
is to preach. Mr. Hall is now sending
out letters to members of his congregation
asking that they return the names of 10
families or individuals who are not now
members of a church and who might be
induced to attend church, may be reached
by the pastor.

Next Sunday evening Rev. J. Burdett
will preach at the tabernacle.

Philadelphia Schools.

The schools of Philadelphia are consid-
ered among the best if not the best of any
of the large cities of this country. This
is what Prof. Edward Brooks, their su-
perintendent, says: "That the Encyclo-
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no intelligent person will question, and
the Stoddard American edition is much to
be preferred to the English edition. In-
deed it is not only a work to buy, but to
be thankful for. No library can be com-
plete without it and no home should be
without it." See our offer on page 3.

Rapid Transfer of Property.

B. W. Clough of Maroa township and
Mr. and Mrs. John H. McKinley of For-
syth are in the city today for the purpose
of making some real estate transfers. Mr.
McKinley purchased the Ewing property
at the recent sale and has since sold his
farm of 80 acres, known as the old Mc-
Kinley farm in Maroa township to Mr.
Clough, who in turn sold the property to
E. J. Crawford of Forsyth.

The Assembly Club.

Quite extensive preparations are being
made for the dance to be given next Tues-
day evening by the members of the As-
sembly club. It will be the last enter-
tainment to be given by the club this sea-
son and will be quite an elaborate affair.

East Park Mission.

There will be special services all next
week at the East Park mission. Services
every evening at 7:30 o'clock conducted
by Rev. S. H. Bowyer of the Baptist
church. All invited.

Good Things to Atonish Sufferers.
Foley's Honey and Tar gives quick and
positive relief to all cases. R. W. Bell,
N. L. Krone.

MAN FELL DEAD

Sudden Summons of Phil-
ip Delaney, Sr.

WAS IN PERFECT HEALTH

Retired as Usual Last Night and Arose

This Morning and Died—Was
Well Known in Rail-
road Circles.

Philip Delaney, Sr., a well known em-
ployee of the Wabash shops, fell dead this
morning at 6:30 o'clock at his home, 916
North Railroad avenue. He was in per-
fect health yesterday and no one supposed
that he was suffering with any serious
disease.

Mr. Delaney worked at the Wabash
shops yesterday. Last night he com-
plained of not feeling as well as usual,
but retired at the regular hour. This
morning he arose at 6:30 o'clock. He at-
tempted to get out of bed, but fell back
and died almost instantly, without speak-
ing a word. Mrs. Delaney was with her
husband at the time of his death. Dr.
Parish, the Wabash physician, was called,
but Mr. Delaney was dead before he ar-
rived. The physician declared that death
was due to heart disease. Coroner Bon-
dure was notified and Deputy Coroner
Roy Bendure took charge of the remains
and held an inquest at 8 o'clock this af-
ternoon at the residence. The death was
a sudden and unexpected one. Although
Mr. Delaney was 65 years old he has ap-
parently been in good health and his sud-
den summons was unexpected to his
friends and family.

Philip Delaney was born in Ireland
and came to this country 35 years ago.
He has been in the employ of the Wabash
for 25 years, working in this city, Spring-
field and other points. He was formerly
located in Decatur and later went to
Springfield. He has been in this city for
the past two years employed at the Wa-
bash shops. He was a member of St. Pat-
rick's Catholic church and was a man
who was held in high esteem both in rail-
road and church circles. He was equally
as well known in Springfield as in Deca-
tur.

Mr. Delaney was married twice and is
survived by his second wife. He leaves
two children by his first wife. They are
Mrs. Jennie Delaney of Springfield and
Philip Delaney, Jr., of this city.

The remains will be taken to Spring-
field this evening at 7:40 o'clock and the
funeral will be held from the Church of
the Immaculate Conception in that city at
10 o'clock Monday forenoon. The burial
will be at Springfield.

Good Templars' Meeting.

At the meeting of the Decatur lodge of
Good Templars last evening it was de-
cided to change the night of the meeting
from Friday to Thursday evening. The
lodge decided to remain in the hall of the
Chevalier Bayard K. of P. A. single so-
cial was announced for next Thursday.
A program will be given and refresh-
ments served. The following delegates
were selected to attend the meeting of Dis-
trict lodge No. 5, which meets February
16 at Latham: D. L. Bunn, Miss Ora
Crane, Miss Ada Ratney and Attorney A.
F. Smith. The newly elected officers
were installed by lodge deputy, J. H.
Ratney, as follows:

P. C. T.—Emma Weigand.
O. T.—Beus Bauer.
V. T.—Clara Bedford.
Secretary—D. L. Bunn.
Assistant—Anna Stoll.
Financial Secretary—Mrs. Jennie Cole-
man.
Treasurer—A. F. Smith.

Put in Jail.

Last night Deputy Sheriff Sam Stabler
arrested Annie Wilson on an indictment
charging her with keeping a lewd house.
Stabler also arrested Bertrand Davidson
on information of the county court, charg-
ing him with being an inmate of a house
of ill fame. Both were put in the county
jail.

C. E. Day.

Christian Endeavor day will be cele-
brated by the C. E. society of the Cum-
berland Presbyterian church on Sunday
evening. A special program with spe-
cial music has been arranged.

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WEATHER.

Chicago, Feb. 5.—Illinois: Generally fair tonight and Sunday; colder tonight; warmer Sunday northwest winds, becoming variable.

The New Tariff All Right.

Six months of the operations of the Dingley law show that it is going to meet the expectations of its framers and supply sufficient revenue to cover the current expenses of the government. There has been a steady growth in the receipts month by month, until they have now reached such proportions as to make it apparent that the law will supply, under ordinary circumstances, a revenue equal to the amount necessary to meet the government expenditures and furnish something of a surplus besides. The January customs receipts were more than 25 per cent in excess of the customs receipts of last year, and were larger than the average monthly customs receipts during the entire history of the Wilson law. The internal revenue receipts in January exceeded those of any January since the McKinley law was taken from the statute books. During the six months in which the new law has been in operation, it has shown a steady growth. The August receipts were \$19,000,000, those of September nearly \$22,000,000, October \$24,000,000, November over \$25,000,000, December over \$27,000,000, and January nearly \$30,000,000. The growth in the customs receipts has been equally striking and equally gratifying. In August the customs receipts were, by reason of the enormous importations which had preceded the enactment of the new law, less than \$7,000,000, in September about \$8,000,000, in October over \$9,000,000, in November nearly \$10,000,000, in December nearly \$12,000,000 and in January over \$14,000,000, showing not only a steady growth but indicating the accuracy of the judgment of those who had insisted that there would be a constant increase in the earnings of the new law when importations regained their normal conditions, after the absorption of the enormous inflow of foreign products prior to the enactment of the new law. Considering that over six months' supply of many of the most important revenue-producing articles had been brought into the country prior to the enactment of the new law, it is quite remarkable that the customs receipts in the six months of its operation be greater than the average monthly customs receipts under the law which preceded it, especially in view of the fact that that law is credited with many millions of dollars which should properly have belonged to the earnings of the Dingley law.

The following table shows the customs earnings during the six months in which the new law has been in operation:

August.....	\$6,987,702
September.....	7,943,100
October.....	9,713,494
November.....	9,830,625
December.....	11,660,788
January.....	14,269,492

The following table shows the total earnings under the new law during its six months' operation, compared with the earnings of the Wilson law during the first six months of its operations:

Insert tables.

DINGLEY LAW.

August, 1897.....	\$19,023,614
September.....	21,333,096
October.....	24,391,415
November.....	25,168,995
December.....	27,931,494
January, 1898.....	28,736,227

WILSON LAW.

September, 1894.....	\$22,621,228
October.....	19,139,240
November.....	19,411,403
December.....	21,866,136
January, 1895.....	27,804,239
February.....	22,888,057

Balance in favor of Dingley law, \$18,518,880.

When it is remembered that the conditions under which the Dingley law went into operation precisely reversed those which accompanied the beginning of the Wilson law as relates to earning capacity in customs receipts, the contrast will be

the more striking. When the Wilson law went into effect it found enormous quantities of foreign goods in bonded warehouses and in ships lying in the harbors waiting opportunity to be entered for consumption and pay customs duties under the new law. When the Dingley law went into effect, it found the warehouses of the country filled to overflowing with goods which have already paid customs under the preceding law. That the earnings of the Dingley law under these reversed and unfavorable conditions should have exceeded by more than \$18,000,000 in the first six months the earnings of the Wilson law in the corresponding period of its history shows its vast superiority as a revenue producer, while the revival of manufacturing throughout the United States since it went into operation indicates with equal clearness and satisfaction its beneficial effect upon industries of the country.

Dun's Review says: "The demand for most goods is more heavy for the season, manufacturing works are better employed and orders booked, and prospects for the future are more encouraging than at this season in any other year of which equally definite records exist. Exports of products continue surprisingly heavy in spite of some rises in prices. Treasury receipts from customs were larger in 20 days of January than in the entire month of October or of November, and apprehension regarding the monetary future is no longer felt outside of speculative circles. Failures are considerably smaller than were ever known at this season, both manufacturing and trading—less than half last year's. Railroad earnings in January thus far reported have been 17.6 per cent larger than last year and 10.3 per cent larger than in 1897."

People who are inclined to complain of the fact that the owners of the cotton mills in New England are proposing to reduce wages under the operations of the Dingley law probably have not observed that the mills of that section are only able to earn three and one-half per cent on their invested capital, while those of South Carolina are earning 12½ per cent. A recent report published in one of the Charleston newspapers shows that the cotton mills of South Carolina are earning 12½ per cent on their invested capital, while those of New England make but three and one-half per cent, the difference being due to lower wages, longer hours, cheaper fuel, and proximity to the cotton fields in the case of the southern mills. Another difficulty under which all the cotton manufacturers of the United States are now laboring is the rapid growth of the cotton manufacturing industry enterprises of the world. There has been a great increase in the number of mills and spinners in China, Japan, and India, where native operatives are consigned to earn from 10 to 22 cents per day.

The able politicians of the Democratic party who put their heads together in Washington the other day and determined to make the congressional campaign of 1898 upon the Chicago platform of 1890 will scarcely expect to be as successful in capturing the farm vote this year as they were two years ago. They insisted then that prosperity could not come to the farmer without the free and unlimited coinage of silver, yet the statistics of the treasury department show that the farmer received for his breadstuffs sent out of the country in 1897 just twice as much money as he received in 1894 or 1895, and nearly 50 per cent more than he received in 1896. The value of breadstuffs exported from the United States in 1894 was \$121,123,377; in 1895, \$181,571,555; in 1896, \$177,278,456; in 1897, \$343,121,108. In nearly all other articles of farm produce the exportations for 1897 were far beyond those of preceding years in value, and when the farmers compare their conditions in 1898 with that of 1896 and with the assertions of the supporters of the Chicago platform to that year, they will take little stock in the song which these gentlemen propose to sing to them in the approaching congressional campaign.

A thrill of terror is experienced when a brassy cough of croup sounds through the house at night. But the terror soon changes to relief after One Minute Cough Cure has been administered. Safe and harmless for children. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Notwithstanding the fact Monmouth went "dry" last spring the grand jury has found 26 indictments with 476 counts against 18 men for illegal sale of intoxicants there.

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As a pain destroyer and cure for rheumatism, Salvation Oil is the peer of all liniments. Mr. Wm. H. Brown, proprietor of Striebinger House, Cleveland, O., writes: "I suffered from rheumatism for twelve years and may last attack kept me in bed, unable to walk. I used Salvation Oil and soon was up and about. As a pain destroyer this liniment has no equal." Salvation Oil is sold everywhere for 25 cents. Try it and be convinced.

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CEMENT, LIME, COAL.

AN OCEAN PROMENADE.

How a Boston Man Expects to Walk Across the Atlantic.
Capt. William C. Oldrieve, of Boston, has planned to walk across the Atlantic ocean next July. He will begin his journey July 4, and will be accompanied by Capt. William A. Andrews, famous by reason of his voyages across the Atlantic in a small boat.

The seagoing shoes of Mr. Oldrieve are the most wonderful part of the whole



WALKING ON WATER.
(How Capt. Oldrieve Will Try to Cross the Atlantic.)

affair. They are really a pair of cedar boxes five feet long with fins on the bottom and sides. They are very light and capable of sustaining 140 pounds, but as Oldrieve weighs only 130, they are as good to him as a steamer's deck. Into each of these wooden shoes the water walker's feet are thrust deep down and a rubber garter-like affair is fastened to his leg, thus effectually keeping out the water. Rubber boots reaching to the thigh are also worn. When thus equipped Oldrieve is able to walk many miles and to travel over choppy seas, and even the heavy swell of the ocean.

His theory of midocean walking is to slide down the side of a big swell and wait for the next one to lift him up. In this way he says it really requires less exertion to walk on water far out at sea than it does in a sheltered bay. The hardest work of all, he says, is to go in choppy water, as he did in the East river. He thinks he will be able to walk from 500 to 1,000 miles of the way across the Atlantic in a period of 40 to 60 days. As the course taken will be in the path of steamships, he expects to speak many passing vessels and send back letters written while walking in midocean to his friends in Boston.

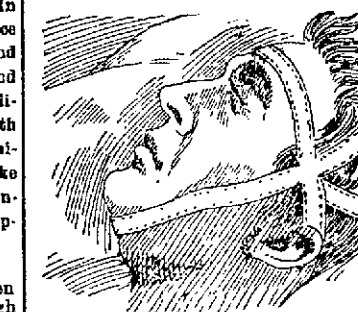
ANTI-SNORING MASK.

Queer But Useful Device Invented by a Kansas Farmer.

Snoring will be a thing of history when Richard Jacks, of Wyandotte county, Kan., gets his new invention, the "anti-stertory," on the market.

The device has been patented and a company has been organized for its manufacture, with some of the richest men in Kansas behind it. A factory has been erected at Bonner Springs and work is already going forward on the manufacture of the anti-snorer. Not only will the device prevent a perfect preventive for the terrible habit of snoring, but will also act as a face beautifier, and the company expects to sell millions of them to young men and maidens who want to be handsome.

The thing is made from white elastic, about the same width as that used for garters. It is so constructed that it looks like the skeleton of a mask. It



ANTI-SNORING MASK.
(Unique Device Invented by a Kansas Farmer.)

covers the face like a bridge, and when fastened at the crown of the head the face is pulled into a natural position, preventing the wearer from breathing through the mouth. In other words, it keeps one's mouth securely closed while in slumber and thus prevents the habitual or chronic snorer from making nights hideous. The market price of the anti-snorer will be 50 cents each.

How did Richard Jacks, a Kansas farmer, come to invent such an ingenious device? Years ago, when he was a young man, he had a beautiful wife, whom he lost just because he was in the habit of trying to split his soft palate while he slept.

Liquid Palace in Paris.

One of the most novel and attractive features of the Paris exposition in 1900 will be a palace constructed entirely of glass, over which will fall cascades of water from hundreds of jets. The building will rival the famous crystal palace of London, and will cover an area of 6,000 square yards. It will be shaped somewhat like the minaret-topped structures of oriental cities. On each corner of the structure there will be crystal towers and in the middle a minaret of most elaborate design. Lines of pipes will be run wherever possible without interfering with the beauty of the building. Fountains and jets of water will be placed at every point of the building so that it will be literally covered with graceful showers of spray.

EMILE ZOLA'S NERVE.

It Has Brought Upon Him the Enmity of the French Army.

Emile Zola, the great novelist, who is now the foremost man in the eye of Europe, is not so because of his books or because at least he is about to become "an immortal," but because he may go to prison for his accusations against high officials of France in the matter of the Dreyfus-Esterhazy case.

Zola some time ago took up the cudgels in support of the exiled army captain. He said he would make the Dreyfus case "his affair," and he has kept his word in a manner which promises all sorts of discussions in the ge-



EMILE ZOLA.
(At Present the Foremost Man in the Eye of Europe.)

zettes and no end of gesticulations in the cafes. He has charged the minister of war and other government officials with perjury at the trial of Ferdinand Esterhazy, and the government has decided to hold him responsible for his charges, to prove them or to take the alternative of going to jail.

M. Zola has expressed himself as being glad of the opportunity to bring forward his evidence against the army, and all Europe is expecting. The great master of modern "realism" in fiction is largely supported by public opinion. He finds his present quest as interesting a pursuit as he has found his quest for a seat in the academy, and it is believed that his trial—if it comes—will prove as thrilling as many of his novels that deal with the pathogenic aspects of crime.

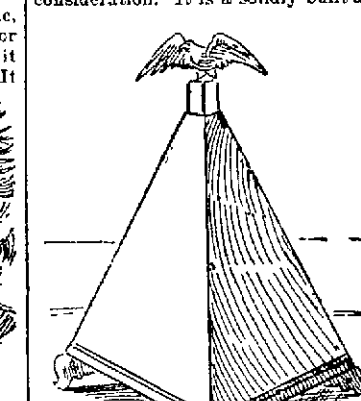
Whatever Zola has done as a realistic novelist to deserve censure, his course in this Dreyfus controversy entitles him to hearty commendation. At the risk of offending the capricious and passionate French, so easily carried away by neat and eloquent phrases about the army's honor, the integrity of military justice, and so on, he has dared to plead for justice. He has courted unpopularity and execration, and to that extent has redeemed himself from the accusation of pandering to the lower elements for the sake of profit and notoriety.

WASHINGTON'S STOVE.

Once It Warmed the Person of the Father of His Country.

If, in the phraseology of the streets, George Washington was "not so warm" as some unpatriotic historians would have us believe, it was not because he had no stove. Like the bodyguards and coaches of the father of his country, the stoves that are said to have warmed the person of our first president are without number. No village is complete without one.

But the Washington stove belonging to a Chicago man has all the earmarks—or, more properly speaking, the indentures—of authenticity and is worth consideration. It is a solidly built ar-



A RARE RELIC.
(This Stove Once Belonged to George Washington.)

range, about six feet high, capped by an American eagle cast in iron. The foundation is square and massive, with four stout legs, rather fancifully wrought. The stove is square, slanting upward almost to a point. In it at its base are two openings, and these appear to be the only doors. There is no receptacle for ashes, and one is left to speculate upon how our dignified George started the fire in the morning when the weather was cold, and how, if the thing did not "draw," did he vent his ill humor at its contrariness, when there were no doors to slam nor to kick shut.

Above the tapering, square part is a corrugated column, a foot high, and upon this the eagle, with outstretched wings.

The Fish and Its Scales.
A fish never renews its scales. A wound may heal up and be covered over with a thick protective skin, but nature provides the fish with only one suit of scale armor, and leaves lost out of that are never restored.

The Future of "Lady."
Mexico now has lady bull fighters, Brooklyn has lady football players and Middletown (N. Y.) has a lady street car motorman. If this thing keeps up we shall ultimately have lady everything except lady women.

20 Per Cent. Discount Sale!

In order to entirely clean out our present stock of Winter Wear, we will give you one-fifth off on every Overcoat, Suit, Reefer, Pant and Heavy Underwear for Man, Boy or Child, which we have. In Kersey and Melton Overcoats, we are selling many of them at the price which we must pay for new ones, owing to advances in the cost of both material and labor, and at a discount of 20 per cent. from our prices they are remarkably cheap. This is your time to lay in a supply. We court comparison on prices.

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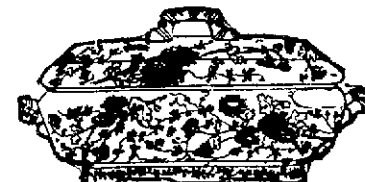
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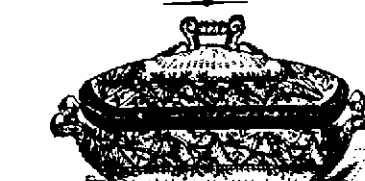
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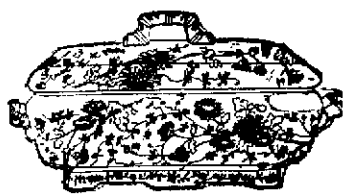
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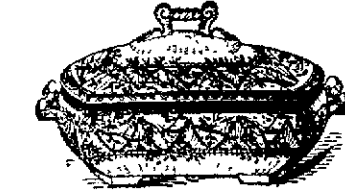
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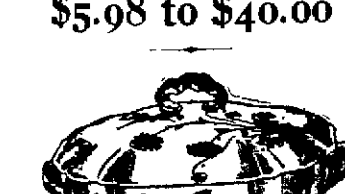
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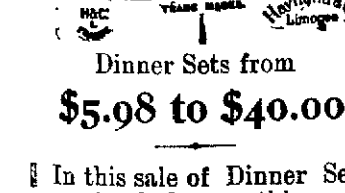
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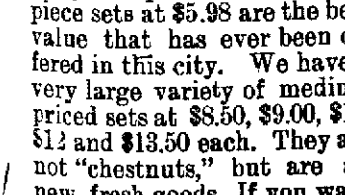
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PERSONAL.

—J. B. Nowlin of Latbam is visiting at Jacksonville.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Easterly are visiting at Blue Mound.

—Attorney B. F. Shipley of Maroa is in the city today.

—R. D. Kidd is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Kesler.

—Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Schnirring, living four miles southwest of the city, this morning, a daughter.

—Mrs. Wm. Bundy (and Mrs. A. H. Cope) went to Blue Mound this morning to attend the funeral of Mrs. H. H. Wise's Mother.

—Mrs. Roth, who has been visiting W. H. Bramble and Family, left today for her home at Dayton, Ind.

—Will Gray, conductor on the electric car line, has resigned his position and left this morning for Chicago where he will take a position with the elevated railroad company.

—Joe Ogle left today for Logansport, where he will visit friends over Sunday.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Pollock and son, Jack, left today for Peru, Ind., to spend Sunday with friends.

—Charles Ogle of the Wabash ticket office, will visit his home in Litchfield Sunday.

—S. M. Stark, principal of the High School at Warrensburg, is in the city today.

—C. W. Cram, of the Macon Record, is an out of town caller in Decatur today.

—Mr. and Mrs. George Cooper, of Hamilton, Al. Rickstraw, Miss Louise Cazelt, Misses Bernice Higgins and Sarah Combs and Mrs. J. F. Vaughndy, of Macon, are in the city today.

—Dr. C. Taylor Ball removed a small growth from the throat of Mrs. L. Dague, of Danville, yesterday by his painless method.

—Miss Bernice Trainer is attending the Teachers' Institute at Atwood today.

—Mrs. J. A. Davidson of South Union street is entertaining Miss Myrtle Eymann of Bloomington and Miss Sophia Eymann of Harrisburg.

—Robert J. Burdette, who is to lecture at the Tabernacle on Monday evening, will arrive to-morrow afternoon and will be the guest of friends during his stay in the city.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
Rev. A. W. Hawkins, pastor. Services in W. O. T. U. hall. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. 10:40 a. m. preaching. Theme, "The Great Gift and the Consequences." Endeavor service at 6:30 p. m.

CHURCH OF GOD.
Corner of North Water and Cerro Gordo streets. J. Bernard, pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject, "The Royal Law." Evening subject, "The Broad and Narrow Way." Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m.

FIRST M. E. CHURCH.
First Pastor—General Glass at 9 a. m. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Frank Ewing Supt. Public worship at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Services by the pastor. Junior Endeavor at 3:30 p. m. Intermediate Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. Revival meetings will continue during the week.

FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH.
Corner of North Main and William streets. Rev. Frank C. Oberly, pastor. Sunday School at 9:15 a. m. Dr. N. D. Myers, Supt. Morning services at 10:30. Catechetical class at 4 p. m. Evening services at 7:30.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.
Corner of Church and Eldorado streets. Rev. W. C. Miller, pastor. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Morning service at 10:45 a. m. Evening service at 7:30 p. m. Subject, "The Boy's Violin." The first of a series of sermons on "The Via Dolorosa." Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m.

MAYFLOWER MISSION SUNDAY SCHOOL.
Corner West Green and Dundas streets, at 2:30 p. m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.
Corner North Water and East North streets. Rev. S. H. Boyer, pastor. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. W. J. Carter, superintendent. Morning service at 10:45 a. m. Subject, "The Test of True Religion." Evening, "The Royal Law." A cordial invitation extended to all.

Sabbath school at East Park Mission, 2:15. J. Edward Saxton, superintendent.

CENTINARI U. B. CHURCH.
The Centinari U. B. Church, corner of N Broadway and Eldorado streets. Dr. E. Sperry, pastor. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. W. F. Montgomery, Supt. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning text, "The Spirit of the Lord." Kings vii, 2, 4. Revival services every evening.

FORWARD STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST.
Corner West William and Edward streets. Rev. Marion Stevenson, pastor. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. E. March, Supt. Services at the usual hours. Morning, "Let Us Love One Another." Evening, "The Spirit of the Lord and the Blood." Junior C. E. at 2:30 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m.

CHRISTIAN TABERNACLE.
Church between Eldorado and North Rev. Geo. F. Hall, pastor. Prof. M. S. Cairns Musical Director. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Earl Morris, Supt. Communion at 10:45 a. m. Morning service by the pastor, "What We Plead For." Junior C. E. at 2:30 p. m. Senior C. E. at 6:15 p. m. Sermon at 8:30 by Robert C. E. at 8:30 p. m. Cairns will sing. Also special selections by the Ladies' Quartet and the chorus of 124 voices.

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CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST.
Sunday services Feb. 6, 1898, at 11:30 a. m. Lesson sermon from the Bible and "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy, subject, "Seeking first the kingdom of God." The evening testimonial meeting at 7:30 p. m. Friday evening testimonial meeting at 7:30 p. m. All cordially invited to all meetings. Review Building, second floor front, corner North Main and North streets.

THE LATEST FASHIONS.

The Newest in Stockings and Gloves for All Occasions.

Gowns with Rose Petals—New Coat Which Shows the Drift of the Russian Blouse—Tilted Hats.

About one year ago a prospective bride went up from the sunny south to buy her trousseau in New York. She has been there ever since—not, of course, buying wedding clothes all that



A SPRING COAT.

time, but merely enjoying herself so well that the prospect of marital bliss had not sufficient charms to call her back. Now, however, she is about to return, and among her wedding things are a number of original ideas in dress

roses over the sleeves and bodice and under the wreath of the skirt.

The latest fad in stockings for street wear are those of plaid silk and lisle thread. Although on first thought they would seem rather immodest, a little consideration would show that they are far less striking than plain black hose, since they are pretty sure to be worn with plaid under-kirts, and so naturally blend into them. Dark blue, black and green plaids are the favorites, barred with bright gold.

For house wear with low shoes and slippers are stockings which are perfect in their beauty. Some have most delightful clocks of openwork lace on the sides, the handsomest fully two inches wide at the heels.

The most striking novelties, however, have delicate embroidered designs over the instep, introduced with openwork lace patterns. In this way black lace fronts are worn into light blue stockings and other well-contrasting shades combined. Yet many are carried out entirely in one coloring with excellent effect.

A pair of stockings worn by a dancer on the New York stage is creating quite a sensation, not in the theatrical alone, but also in the fashionable world. This famous pair of stockings is adorned with a serpent whose head rests just below the instep. From there it winds its way in delightful scrolls to the knee. Yet the greatest charm of this adornment does not lie in its form, but in the materials from which it is made. What do you think of serpents made from real jewels? Yet they are what this dancer wears, striking envy in the hearts of the feminine contingent in her audience.

The newest idea in gloves is the one or two-clasp walking glove. Red is the favorite color. Heavy skin is used, and, indeed, the gloves closely resemble those for men.

Short gloves, in thinner kids, yet



TRIMMED WITH ROSES

An evening dress in the collection worthy of imitation and a description, and may be of service to some one who is planning a new dancing frock.

It is a combination of white organdy and red roses, and has a sash, for no dancing dress is complete without one. The corsage is slightly bloused and very low, falling quite off at the shoulder, and has a wreath of large red roses around the edge. The mosquitoire



STYLES IN STOCKINGS.

slaves have slightly bulging puffs at the top. A wreath of red roses runs diagonally across the front. The sash, also made of organdy like the rest of the dress, has three narrow ruffles edged with red ribbon at the bottom of each end.

The unique feature of the gown was the scattering of petals from the red

still lace, are also worn for evening, with the thin, long sleeves which are now so popular. Many of these gloves have short lace tops, while others have lace or silk tops which extend quite to the elbow.

Shoulder gloves are no longer considered good form, even with sleeveless gowns. The natural inference from this is that the gown without lace sleeves is worn by the possessor of a beautiful arm, an inference justified by the facts. A pretty arm is uncovered on an ugly one covered.

Long sleeves are in vogue all others glaze. Among the novelties is a glove embroidered from the wrist to the shoulder, but it is not considered particularly good taste. It should never under any circumstances be chosen by the girl who wears the same evening gloves on a number of occasions.

For evening, gloves match gowns, or the trimmings of gowns in color. For the theater or visiting, white gloves are worn. For street wear, gloves are as brilliant as their wearers choose.

A new spring coat among the latest importations gives a number of novelties for warmer weather. It shows the cut which will replace the blouse, and indicates, too, the revival of the slim, wasplike waist.

The coat is of tan faced cloth, tight-fitting back and front. The peculiarity is introduced on the right hand front, which crosses over the left side. Here it is cut very much as a blouse, and hangs over the belt instead of being bloused. The effect of this straight front, hanging loosely from an otherwise tight garment, is very smart.

The belt is narrow, of green velvet stitched. The collar is high, and opens in front in broad revers, which give width to the narrow shoulders. The revers and collar are of green velvet, faced with cream guipure.

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Champaign is strictly enforcing the ordinance against riding bicycles on the sidewalks. Fire Chief Price was fined the other day for his thoughtlessness in pedaling on the walks.

A Cold, Neglect, Pneumonia, Grief.
Had Foley's Honey and Tar been used, this story would have had a happier ending. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Rog cholera is reported as making bad havoc in the droves of swine in the vicinity of Blue Grass, Vermillion county, John Talbot having lost 30 head and his neighbors many more.

G. W. Yates of Champaign will move his dry goods store to Newman.

Dr. Campbell & Dahlstedt of Paxton have dissolved partnership.

The mumps have succeeded the measles at Wenona.

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Free—A Bunch of Violets—At Neilsen's.

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Smoke the Queen, manufactured by Medlock & Kuesink—15c

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Robert J. Burdette will arrive in the city at 6:30 Sunday evening, and will occupy Rev. Hall's pulpit at the tabernacle at the night service "Job" is not only a good writer and lecturer, but an ordained Baptist preacher and nearly always fills a pulpit somewhere every Sunday.

He delivers five lectures a week, and has been at home but three days since last September.

Cottage Prayer Meeting.

A cottage prayer meeting was held at the residence of Mrs. J. A. Rife of 1103 West Wood street on Thursday evening. The services were conducted by Rev. Finley.

Ill of Erysipelas.

Miss Mame Lounash of Hickory Point township is very ill of erysipelas. The face is badly swollen and yesterday Dr. Hostetter opened and drained a large abscess which had formed on the side of the face as a result of the erysipelas.

Lombuda.

We have placed this beautiful line of goods on sale at 50 cents on the dollar during our great reduction sale. It must be seen to be appreciated.

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Dinner Party.

Mrs. G. C. Kinsman will entertain a party of friends at her home on West Prairie avenue at dinner this evening at 7 o'clock in honor of Mrs. Chambers, who is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Albert Barnes.

Art Pottery.

Royal Worcester, Toplitz, Royal Bonn, Delft, Swedish and Riedelstodt go at one-half price in our great reduction sale. E. D. Bartholomew Co.

Street Car Men's Bail.

The street car men have sold a large number of tickets for the ball which they will give on the evening of February 14 at the guards armory. The entertainment is to be quite an elaborate one and a large attendance is already assured.

Free of Charge to Sufferers.

Cut this out and take it to your druggist and get a sample bottle free of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. They do not ask you to buy before trying. This will show you the great merits of this truly wonderful remedy, and show you what can be accomplished by the regular size bottle. This is no experiment, and would be disastrous to the proprietors did they not know it would invariably cure. Many of the best physicians are now using it in their practice with great results, and are relying on it in most severe cases. It is guaranteed. Trial bottles free at J. E. King's and C. F. Shilling's drug stores. Regular size 50 cents and \$1.

Rev. Faye Walker, who is to speak at the First Presbyterian church tomorrow morning, will address the members of the C. E. society at the meeting tomorrow evening.

Brass Band

Will not play but if you will come in and see us we will give you a song on prices of everything in the catalog line that will interest you. You can't afford to miss us. Come early. Yours for trade, T. T. SPRINGER, 124 South Water street.

24-25

Children and adults tortured by burns, scalds, injuries, eczema or skin diseases may secure instant relief by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It is the great Pile remedy. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Robert Burdette will preach at the Christian tabernacle tomorrow evening.

C. A. Jordan of Elliott, will make a public sale next week and move to Paxton.

GIVE THE CHILDREN A DRINK

called Grain-O. It is a delicious, appetizing, nourishing food drink to take the place of coffee. Sold by all grocers and liked by all who have used it because when properly prepared it tastes like the finest coffee but is free from all the injurious properties. Grain-O aids digestion and strengthens the nerves. It is a stimulant but a health builder, and children, as well as adults, can drink it with great benefit. Costs about 1/2 as much as coffee. Price 15c and 25c.

MAUZY CASE

State Attorney's Opinion in Regard to Indictment

WORK OF THE GRAND JURY

Vote was Unanimous—Seventy-Nine Witnesses Examined in the Case—Considerable Comment was Created.

The opinions of State's Attorney I. R. Mills in regard to the indictment of Joe Maury for the murder of Mat McKinley, mention of which was made in this paper yesterday afternoon, will be of interest to everyone. Mr. Mills in speaking of the matter said:

"Personally I am glad that an opportunity has finally been presented for a thorough investigation of the connection of Joe Maury with the murder of Mat McKinley. Ever since that murder, and especially ever since the conviction of Jack Faunce, the relation of Joe Maury to it, has been a matter of public speculation and interest, especially here in Decatur.

"At the time of the trial of Faunce I was well satisfied of his guilt, and so gave to the conduct of the trial my very best services as state's attorney. Faunce was well defended, and while it is true that his attorneys were young and without great experience, so was I, but they spared neither time nor effort to present every fact then known favorable to the defendant. Not since I have been state's attorney has there been a more vigorous or able defense been made in a murder trial. While the trial was a hard fight it was clean, open and fair. So far as I know, no officer of the city or county who took an active part in that trial, did anything other than his duty. No jobs were put up against Jack Faunce, nor was there any effort to shield any other person, much less Joe Maury.

"Since the trial I have investigated as far as I was able, every rumor in circulation tending to show the connection of Maury with the murder, or tending to show the innocence of Faunce, and I have repeatedly said to his friends, and upon one occasion to Faunce personally, that if my confidence in his guilt was ever seriously shaken, or if any substantial evidence could be gotten showing him probably innocent, I would work harder to get him out of the penitentiary than I ever did to get him in. I have held this a sacred promise to him and his friends.

"The testimony lately presented to the grand jury and upon which the indictment of Joe Maury is based, is entirely new. Not until the evening before the final presentation of the case to the pardon board was I advised of the information claimed to be possessed by Mrs. Alfred Showers and Mr. and Mrs. McWhorter, and not until the minutes of the grand jury were turned over to me yesterday morning, did I know of the information claimed to be possessed by two or three other important witnesses connecting Maury with the murder, who appeared before the grand jury. Neither had this important evidence come to the knowledge of Mr. Crea and Mr. Huhnsen in 1894, when they were making efforts to secure the pardon of Faunce.

"In relation to the action of the grand jury I will say that I think it could only, in the face of the evidence before it, do what it did do. They had before it, direct and positive evidence of the killing of McKinley by Joe Maury, and could have only discharged its duty by returning the indictment. The great surprise to me is that all this important evidence should have remained hid away, even from the friends of Faunce for so many years, during which time, if the evidence is true, an innocent man was suffering imprisonment in the penitentiary and a guilty one enjoying freedom. This may all yet be satisfactorily explained. The issue will be, is this evidence true, or is it manufactured with a view of getting a guilty man pardoned of this awful crime? I hope and believe that the trial of Joe Maury will settle this important question, vitally important to both Faunce and Maury, and of great interest to every citizen.

"I shall make a most thorough investigation of the evidence in this case and shall give to it my best efforts. It is possible that the time has arrived for the fulfillment of my promise to Faunce. In order to evidence my desire and purpose to make this investigation fair and thorough, I am perfectly willing that the friends of Faunce, who believe Maury guilty, shall select their own counsel to assist in this investigation and trial. If they do not see fit to take advantage of this offer, I shall ask the court to appoint one or more counsel in whom the entire community have confidence, to aid me in this labor.

"In the interest of justice I hope that the coming trial will forever set at rest who murdered Mat McKinley, Jack Faunce or Joe Maury, and that the real murderer will suffer the punishment he so richly deserves."

WORK OF GRAND JURY.

The announcement in yesterday's paper that the grand jury had returned an indictment against Joe Maury, charging him with the murder of Mat McKinley, created considerable comment on the part of those who were interested in the case. Almost everyone is familiar with the story of the murder of Mat McKinley, and of the efforts now being made to secure the pardon of Faunce, who is serving his term in the penitentiary. The case is a rather unusual one. It is not often that after one man has remained in the penitentiary nine years for committing a crime that another man is indicted for the same crime.

Many opinions were expressed yesterday afternoon and today. A conservative man said that he believed the people of the city would as a general rule be glad that the grand jury had investigated the case and returned the indictment as there had always been a feeling among some that Faunce was not guilty and now the matter could be cleared up again, and if Maury was not guilty he ought to be able to prove himself so and if he was guilty another man should not suffer for the crime.

It is understood that the members of the grand jury took up the investigation on their own accord. The efforts that were made to bring about the pardon of Jack Faunce brought the case into notice again and it was made evident that there was a good deal of new testimony to be heard.

The grand jury was in session 28 days, just one more day than the last grand jury. Thirty indictments were returned. While the McKinley case was being investigated other matters were taken up at the same time. Seventy-nine witnesses were examined in the murder case. Many of these were of no importance and some of them gave good evidence. The newspapers published from day to day scraps of the evidence given before the grand jury, but there were some strong witnesses whose testimony is known only to the jurors. Last Saturday nearly all of the business was finished excepting the murder case. The question as to whether the investigation should be continued was sprang and a vote was taken and it was decided to continue with the work. The evidence heard by the grand jury certainly must have been very strong against Maury because when the vote on the indictment was taken it was unanimous, there being not one vote against finding an indictment. This fact goes to prove that the grand jurors were all impressed with the importance of what they had been told. Twelve votes are all that is necessary to find an indictment.

Mr. Nowlin, the foreman of the grand jury, in speaking of the matter said that the grand jury had been organized somewhat for taking up so much time, but that they felt that if the matter was worth investigating at all it was worth looking into thoroughly. While the jurors were on the case they wanted to know all about it and every one who was supposed to know anything at all was sent for and asked to tell what they knew of the case. Considerable time was also taken up in finding witnesses. The country roads being in such bad condition it was difficult to reach witnesses who were needed in different cases and this made the work of the jury slower than it would otherwise have been.

Just what effect the indictment of Maury will have upon the pardon of Jack Faunce is, of course, not known. Faunce's case is now in the hands of the state pardoning board and it remains with that body to recommend to the governor that Faunce be pardoned or not, as they see fit. It would seem that Maury's indictment would be favorable to Faunce's case, but it is not unlikely that the pardoning board will now let the matter rest as it is until after Maury's trial, even though they might have intended to recommend Faunce's pardon. Maury's trial will come up at this time of court.

TO ARREST MAUZY.

Sheriff Nicholson left this morning for Oakland, Ill., to arrest Joe Maury on the indictment returned yesterday. The sheriff is expected to return home tonight at 7 o'clock.

ADDITIONAL PERSONALIA.

—Mrs. Moses Jones, colored, is very ill at her home North of the city.

—The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. John Hammer is ill.

L. Dague, of Danville, Ill., is stopping over Sunday at the Electro Sanatorium.

—J. B. Freeman has returned from a week's visit at Moweaqua.

Miss Kittie Roach, of Weldon, is the guest of Decatur friends.

Aaron Hufford, of Oakley, attended to business affairs in Decatur today.

Mrs. Davidson, of Long Creek, is the guest of friends in the city.

Peter Stair and daughter, Miss Alice, of Orona, are visiting in Decatur.

—Robert Elder, of Niantic was in the city on business yesterday.

—Mrs. W. E. Briggs is in the city from Chicago.

—Miss Mame Palmer will spend Sunday with friends at Ement.

—Leo Heilbrun will go to Chicago tonight to join his wife and son, who are visiting with relatives at that place.

Valentines.

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COURT MATTERS

Will of Late Samuel Heft Probated To-Day.

A CONSERVATOR APPOINTED

For One of the Heirs of Samuel F. Heft—Short Session in the Circuit Court This Morning.

In the county court this afternoon the will of the late Samuel Heft was probated. The estate is valued at \$15,000 and consists of 160 acres of land and personal property. All the personal property is left to the two daughters, Elizabeth O. and Clara E. Heft. Money which is owed to the estate by John A. Heft is to be paid to the different children. Twenty acres of land is left to each of the following children: Elizabeth O., Samuel F. and Stella M. Heft. Eighty acres of land is divided equally between William W., Marion S. and John A. Heft. W. W. Heft is made executor of the estate.

Judge Hamner appointed Elizabeth O. Heft as conservator of Samuel F. Heft who is in the insane asylum. He is one of the heirs of the estate.

Humphrey & Company of Bloomington and Oakford & Falmestock of Portia won their suits in the county court yesterday. They asked Judge Hamner that he order John Allan, assignee of J. J. Howard, to surrender goods belonging to the estate on the grounds that the goods were bought by Howard when he knew that he would be forced to make an assignment. The case has been pending for some time.

MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 5.					
Wheat—	Open	High	Low	Close	Sett.
Feb.	95	97 1/2	94 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2
May 84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2
July 84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2
Oct. 84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2
May 24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
July 24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
Oct. 24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
May 10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
July 10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Oct. 10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
May 4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2
July 4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2
Oct. 4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2
May 5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2

May wheat: Puts, 84 1/2; Calls, 95 1/2; Curb, 95.

To-Day's Receipts—Car Lots.
Wheat—40; Estimated, 40; a year ago, 15.
Corn—44 1/2; Estimated, 45; a year ago, 52.
Oats—17 1/2; Estimated, 18; a year ago, 21.

Estimates for To-Morrow.
Wheat, 75; Corn, 60; Oats, 22.

Hog receipts, 21,000. Estimated 21,000.
Market steady.

Light 8.70; 23.35; Mixed 8.10; 23.10.
Heavy 8.30; 23.35; Rough, 8.60; 23.10.
Estimated for to-morrow, 30,000.

Cattle receipts, 370. Market steady.



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As "Puddin'head Wilson."

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Is the Situation as to Action on Cuba.

WOODFORD TO MCKINLEY

Spaniards are Ready for War—Say They Will Not Give Up—Something Soon to Occur.

Madrid, Feb. 7.—Great uneasiness regarding the relations with the United States exists here. Nobody can explain what has happened, but something is the matter. Even in official circles the impression is gathered that things are not as smooth as they were a few days ago. It can be ascertained from every sign that Spain is resolved to go to the end, and if provoked, to war.

The El Correo (Sagasta's organ) said last night: "The movements of the American fleet in the Mediterranean Sea and Atlantic Ocean, although explained by tactical reasons as peaceful, are really suspicious, and tend to provoke distrust." The leading Conservative organ, La Epoca, supporting an article in El Partial, says: "The United States will do all it can to help the situation without going to war, but Spain must prepare herself for all eventualities. We don't want to initiate the transatlantic jingoism policy, but we want Spain to defend her rights."

The Spanish government has already answered the American note of December 22. The reply is very energetic though courteous in tone.

SUSPICIOUS MOVEMENTS.

Many comments are made on the visit of General Martinez Campos three days ago to Senor Silveira, Saturday to Senor Pidal and Sunday to Senor Cuenca. All are leaders of the Conservative party. The public has connected these visits with the difficulties said to exist with the United States. Premier Sagasta declares the visit was purely one of courtesy, though made at unusual hours.

The only paper which disbelieves in the probability of a conflict with the United States is El Tempo, Senor Silveira's organ, which says: "We believe the alarm is exaggerated, because the United States knows too well that its navy is inefficient, its coast undefended, and its relations with England, Germany and Italy unfriendly. It has, besides, to face the possibility of trouble with Japan over Haiphong."

The Infanta Eulalia, coming from Russia, stopped at Berlin and went to a hotel. Kaiser Wilhelm, learning of her presence, visited her and insisted that she stay at the imperial palace. The infanta accepted, and the fact is much commented on here as meaning much, under the circumstances, regarding the friendly relations of Germany and Spain.

The torpedo boat destroyers, Furor and Terror, left Cartagena for Cadiz Sunday. The rest of the destroyers and torpedo boat squadron will be ready next week. They will wait for orders in Cadiz.

The warships about to be sent to Cuba will have in all 103 guns. Rear Admiral Cervera will command them. This fleet will wait for orders at the Canary Islands. Premier Sagasta declares that the claim of the Western Union is absurd and has not been presented.

Spain Again Says No.

New York, Feb. 7.—A dispatch to the Journal from Washington says: Premier Sagasta has declined the third offer of friendly mediation on the part of the United States. This information was conveyed in a cipher message received from Minister Woodford by President McKinley on Friday.

The message was a most unusual one. Instead of being addressed to the secretary of state it was addressed to the president, a thing which has not happened since Consul General Lee's famous cablegrams to President Cleveland of nearly a year ago, in which he threatened to resign if not upheld in his efforts to protect the lives and liberties of American citizens in Havana.

This cablegram from Minister Woodford was not long, but recited the fact that Premier Sagasta refused to admit that Spain had reached the end of her rope in Cuba; that she was unable to suppress the insurrection; that autonomy was a failure; or that she need the assistance of the United States in bringing the Cuban struggle to an end.

Minister Woodford is naturally of an optimistic temperament, but he sounded a despondent note in this communication, which seems for the first time to have aroused a sense of inquietude in McKinley's breast. The president has up to the